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### Cruising Along the New Route One

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Cars and trucks are still prohibited from portions of one Delaware roadway. But there sure was a lot of traffic on it Sunday. Lots of people were biking, blading, and walking on a newly finished portion of state route one.

Del-dot thought this "free ride" was a good, safe way to let taxpayers judge the quality of their work.

**Michelle Ackles / DE Dept. of Transportation :** "First off, it's fun. It's a unique opportunity for people especially today, people with their families to get out and ride on the road before vehicles are out there, but it also shows the progress we're making on the route one project."

Everyone seems to like the new addition of the highway. But not everyone thinks it's ready for cars.

**Steve Coker / Dover :** "The course is great, nice, flat. It's a great opportunity for the kids to get out there especially without a lot of traffic out there."

**Thom Remington / Likes it Without Cars :** "It's wonderful. It makes a great riding surface, it will be too bad when there are cars on there because we won't be able to ride on it anymore."

About 8 miles of route one was open for the "free ride". Del-dot says they are on track to finish all of the additions to route one by 2003.

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